

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 164

By McNally

A RESOLUTION to recognize Sheriff Timothy W. Guider of the Loudon County Sheriff's Office on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this General Assembly should honor those citizens who performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their careers in law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable individual is Timothy W. Guider of the Loudon County Sheriff's Office, who devoted his life to the preservation of law and order and the protection of his fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Timothy Guider was elected Sheriff of Loudon County in August 1990 and faithfully served the citizens of Loudon County for thirty-two years, making him the longest-serving sheriff in the county's history; and

WHEREAS, after a nearly forty-year career in law enforcement, Sheriff Guider took his well-deserved retirement on August 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Loudon High School, Sheriff Guider attended East Tennessee State University and graduated from the Tennessee Law Enforcement Academy; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Guider began his laudable career with the Loudon County Sheriff's Office as a jailer in 1983; that same year, he became a patrol officer and was quickly promoted to the rank of sergeant with the Lenoir City Police Department; and

WHEREAS, known by the people he served as a true "gentleman's gentleman," Sheriff Timothy Guider always exemplified the values of hard work, compassion, and devotion to community that are characteristic of a diligent officer of the law; and

WHEREAS, evincing exceptional volunteerism and professionalism in all his endeavors, Sheriff Guider is a former president of the Tennessee Sheriffs' Association and has served as

president of Piney Ruritan; he is also a 32nd degree Mason, Kerbela Shriner, and member of the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #21; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Timothy Guider has also served on the board of directors of Loudon County Fire Rescue, Loudon County 9-1-1 Center, and the Tellico Village Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, a man of devout faith, Sheriff Guider is a longtime member of Loudon Cumberland Presbyterian Church; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, Timothy Guider enjoys the love and support of his wife, Suzanne, and they are the proud parents of two children, Kristi Guider and Timmy Guider; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Timothy Guider exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Sheriff Guider demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his fellow officers and a grateful public; and

WHEREAS, we find it appropriate to acknowledge Sheriff Timothy Guider for his dedication and service to the citizens of Loudon County and the State of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Sheriff Timothy W. Guider on his exemplary career with the Loudon County Sheriff's Office and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness during his retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.